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SUBJECT: EC NEGOTIATING MANDATE FOR MTN

REF: A) GENEVA 4037 NOTAL; B) GENEVA 4083 NOTAL

1. SUMMARY: EC COMMISSION PLANS TO PRESENT DRAFT MANDATE WHICH WOULD PERMIT OPENING NEGOTIATIONS THIS FALL TO EC COUNCIL IN JULY.

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2. IN SIDE CONVERSATION AFTER JUNE 26, SEVEN PLUS

SEVEN MEETING (REF B), ABBOTT OF EC COMMISSION SAID
TERM "IF CONITIONS PERMIT" RELATING TO LONG'S
PROPOSALS FOR MTN WORK THIS FALL REFERES NOT ONLY TO
STATUS OF TRA BUT ALSO TO STATUS OF EC NOGOTIATING MANDATE.

3. ABBOTT SAID THAT EXISTING EC "GLOBAL CONCEPTION"
DOES NOT GIVE EC COMMISSION SUFFICIENT BASIS FOR
UNDERTAKING SUBSTANTIVE NEGOTIATIONS. THEREFORE NEW
AUTHORITY WILL BE NEEDED BEFORE SUCH NEGOTIATIONS
START IN THE FALL.

4. TO THIS END, EC COMMISSION HAS DEVELOPED "PAPER"
WHICH IT PLANS TO GIVE TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL IN JULY.
ACCORDING TO ABBOTT, THIS IS SECOND SUCH PAPER
WHICH COMMISSION HAS PREPARED. COMMISSION WAS WORKING
ON FIRST PAPER "SEVERAL MONTHS AGO" BUT DECIDED THAT
TIME WAS NOT THEN RIPE FOR PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL.

5. ABBOTT SAID THAT ALTHOUGH CURRENT PAPER AVOIDS
EXCESSIVE DETAIL, IT WOULD PROVIDE COMMISSION WITH SUF-
FICIENT AUTHORITY TO START NEGOTIATIONS. COMMISSION
WOULD, HOWEVER, NEED TO RETURN TO COUNCIL AS NEGOTIATIONS
PROGRESSED FOR FURTHER AUTHORITY. ABRAMS

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